

TO LEND DIGNITY

New York's Police Justices to Wear Silk Gowns.

An Aldermanic Committee to Investigate European Underground Railways—The New York Artists' Fight Against the Senate—Mr. Herbert's New Task.

One result of the agitation over the police justices of New York and their alleged incompetence is the renewal of the agitation for a general gowning of the local judiciary. As is well known, the members of the highest court of New York appear on the bench impressively clad in robes of black silk, a fact which imparts much of the solemnity to the proceedings of an august tribunal. But as the wearing of gowns by the lower judiciary would entail considerable expense, and as the securing of a legislative appropriation for the purpose would require effort, it is hardly likely that the innovation will be witnessed for some time to come. Nevertheless there is much quiet agitation of the project, and it is an open secret that one radical member of the city courts has expressed a determination of assuming the somber toga on his own responsibility as a lesson to his fellows and also as an experiment. There is nothing to prevent any individual on the bench from adopting the insignia of his own vocation, and the other members of the courts could profit by his example.



IN GOWNS.

It is an open secret in New York that some Tammany politicians are only waiting a propitious moment to propose the appointment of a committee of investigation to visit Europe during the coming summer for the purpose of nominally investigating the underground railway systems of the old world, but in reality to have a good time. As a matter of fact, there are no underground systems in European cities which would be of any use as models to the city of New York, and even if there were it would be useless to send a party to look at them.

This idea of a traveling committee is not a new one with Tammany, but heretofore it has only sent single individuals on pleasure trips at the public expense. It is certain that if the present general scrutiny by New Yorkers of city affairs is in any way relaxed there will be agitated the appointment of one of these junketing committees. The formation of this body will be given to the mayor, should it be made an accomplished fact. Many local politicians are laying bets as to the number of politicians who will be put upon it. But it is conceded that it would be a foolish thing for Mr. Gilroy to implicate himself in anything of the sort at this time.

The Artists Together.

The rejection of the design presented by Augustus St. Gaudens for that world's fair medal may prove a blessing in disguise to the artists of New York city. It has already the effect of solidifying them as an organized body when heretofore they have been too scattered to accomplish much in their own interests. The present plan among these ambitious men is to fight the senatorial pigheadedness by a combined effort. It is intended to circulate protests and to show the importance of the

Augustus St. Gaudens, artist, and the influences they have at their command, influences which in New York are far greater than anywhere else. They are a class who have the ear of the important and wealthy men. They are more intimate as a class with the men who make contemporaneous history than are the majority of persons who must depend upon patronage. It will be noticed that the New York artists are unopposed by a single politician or senator who hails from New York. Those members of congress who were most zealous in their denunciation of the St. Gaudens medal will be reminded of their utterances in this connection, probably, at a time that may prove embarrassing to themselves.

Mr. Herbert's New Task.

Hilary A. Herbert will, as secretary of the navy, be called upon to interfere in a little difficulty which has for some time been agitating New York naval circles. It appears that the two branches of the service, as those branches are defined to the satisfaction of the division of little privileges and as to the extent of their respective authorities. No names are given in this connection, but it is whispered that a naval officer formerly in command in New York is involved in the petty dispute.

The congressional committee which now has charge of the department of increasing naval discipline would appear to have been approached in reference to this difficulty, not as having power to remedy matters, but because it could be thus impressed by the necessity of a change in the present condition of things.

DAVID WICKLER.

In Chicago, of course.

Judge (of a somewhat poetic temperament)—Are you a married man? Have you a wife that you call your own? Prisoner—I have a wife, but I can't well call her my own; she belongs to another man—Alex E. Sweet.

It troubled him.

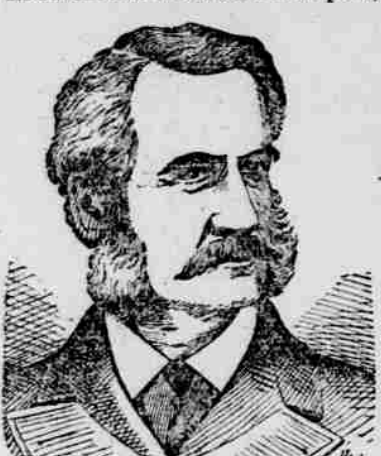
Willis—You have a cold. Does it trouble you much? Wallace—Yes. Every blamed fool I meet asks me about it—Music.

WHEELER H. PECKHAM.

Considered a Great Lawyer by the Bar of New York City.

Wheeler H. Peckham, of New York, who was nominated justice of the supreme court by President Cleveland to take the place of Mr. Hornblower, who was "knocked out" by Senator Hill a few weeks ago, was born about sixty years ago at Albany and studied law in his father's office when he got old enough. He emigrated to the west upon taking his degree at Albany law school and hung out a shingle in St. Paul, where he remained for several years. He came to New York in 1867 and began to practice in the civil courts, making a name for himself as a sincere student and eloquent advocate.

He took an interest in politics from his advent into the eastern metropolis,



WHEELER H. PECKHAM.

electing to follow the leadership of Samuel J. Tilden. The latter appointed him advisory counsel for the prosecution of the Tweed ring, and he had much to do with the preparation of the cases against the old-time boss and his fellow criminals which resulted in their flight and imprisonment.

After the death of Mr. Tilden Mr. Peckham joined Tammany hall and was very friendly with John Kelly, then boss of the wigwag. In 1879 he left the Tammany organization and became identified with various independent factions of the party. In 1880 Grover Cleveland appointed him district attorney to fill a vacancy. He resigned the position after two weeks on account of ill-health and went abroad, where he remained two or three years. On his return he resumed the practice of law, and identified himself with the Cleveland movement, which was then in full swing, and has since been one of its most enthusiastic as well as energetic advocates. He belongs to no less than fifteen clubs. In appearance Mr. Peckham suggests the progressive professional man. He is of medium height and build, restless in movement and his face indicates strong intellectual force. His features are clear cut and regular, his eyes gray and piercing. Two or three years ago his hair was dark brown, but is now liberally sprinkled with gray, as are the two little tufts of hair that extend down the side of his face below the ears and the stubby, bristling mustache on his upper lip. He is a ready speaker, short and sharp in his method of expression and is esteemed one of the best cross-examiners at the New York bar.

Man and the Lower Animals.

There used to be a man day after day in the gardens of the Tuilleries at Paris who was just as well known to the birds frequenting the place as if he had been one of themselves. As soon as he appeared in the open spaces everything with wings, near and far, flocked to him, hopped upon his boots, perched upon his arms and shoulders, and even on the top of his cap, perfectly fearless and friendly, while they waited joyously for the crumbs or seed which he was sure to have in his pocket for them. There was a lady also, residing every summer in the highlands of Scotland, who had in the same way, by steadfast kindness to all the feathered world about her, gained their complete confidence. Morning after morning, as soon as she went out on the lawn, every kind of bird in the vicinity would come at the sound of her voice, betraying not the slightest timidity, but the wildest of them taking food from her hands. It is a pathetic thought to reflect how willing the lower animals are to make friendly alliance with man, who, being, as it were, a god to them, asks from Heaven that mercy and compassion of which he shows so little to the living beings committed to his care.—London Telegraph.

The Critics Humbled.

Manager—The critics say that in the play "A Wronged Wife," you do not exhibit enough emotion when your husband leaves you, never to return. Popular Actress—Oh, I don't, don't? Well, I've had two or three husbands leave me, never to return, and I guess I know as much about how to act under those circumstances as anybody.—Puck.

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3. Island of St. Helena.

4. Cape Town, Africa.

5. The Royal Palace, Honolulu

Sandwich Islands.

6. Constantinople.

7. Ruins of the City of Capern-

num.

8. Royal Palace of Peterhof,

near St. Petersburg.

9. The Hermitage, St. Peters-

burg.

10. Devil's Bridge, Switzerland.

11. Island of Madeira.

12. Salon, Marie de Padilla.

13. Fredericksburg Palace, Den-

mark.

14. Royal Palace, Stockholm,

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